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Title: **REMOTE POWER CONTROL SYSTEM**

(This is a Continuation application of U.S. Patent Application S/N 10/758,117 filed January 16, 2004 which is a Divisional of U.S. Patent Application S/N 09/375,461 filed August 16, 1999 which is a Continuation-In-Part of U.S. Patent Application S/N 08/685,436 filed July 23, 1996, now U.S. Patent No. 5,949,974)

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Prior to examining on the merits and calculating the filing fee for the continuation application filed herewith, please enter the following amendments:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the title and the specification on page 1 under the heading "CO-PENDING APPLICATIONS" with the amended title and replacement paragraph as shown in Attachment A.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims in the specification by canceling claims 1-5 and adding new claims 6-38 as shown in Attachment B.

REMARKS

The above amendments have been made to the specification to make reference to the earlier filed applications as shown in Attachment A. The amendments to the claims have been made to further prosecute the application.

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ATTACHMENT A

Please amend the title as follows:

REMOTE POWER CONTROL SYSTEM ~~THAT VERIFIES WHICH DEVICE WILL BE
SHUT-DOWN BEFORE SUCH ACTION IS COMMITTED TO~~

Please replace the following paragraph on page 1 after the title under the heading "CO-PENDING APPLICATIONS" with the replacement paragraph as shown.

~~This application is a continuation-in-part of United States Patent Application serial number 08/685,436, that was filed 7/23/96 and is also titled, METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR REPORTING AND CONTROLLING THE ELECTRICAL POWER STATUS OF A COMMUNICATION OR COMPUTER NETWORK NODE VIA SIMPLE NETWORK MANAGEMENT PROTOCOL, and for which a Notice of Allowance was issued and issuance fees have been paid.~~

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